

under the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA) section 311, namely through a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)? If so, identify all such schemes. Was the linkage claimed as confidential in any of these instances?

(ii) What harmful effect, if any, to your competitive position do you think would result from the identity of the site and the chemical substance being disclosed in connection with reporting under this subpart? How could a competitor use such information? Would the effects of disclosure be substantial? What is the causal relationship between the disclosure and the harmful effects?

(2) If any of the information contained in the answers to the questions listed in paragraph (c)(1) of this section is asserted to contain confidential business information, the submitter must clearly identify the information that is claimed confidential by marking the specific information on each page with a label such as "confidential business information," "proprietary," or "trade secret."

(d) If no claim of confidentiality is indicated on the reporting form submitted to EPA under this subpart, or if confidentiality claim substantiation required under paragraphs (c) and (d) of this section is not submitted with the reporting form, EPA may make the information available to the public without further notice to the submitter.

§ 710.59 Availability of reporting form and instructions.

(a) *Use the proper EPA form.* You must use the EPA form identified as "Form U" to submit written information in response to the requirements of this subpart. Copies of Form U are available from EPA at the address set forth in paragraph (c) of this section and from the EPA Internet Home Page at <http://www.epa.gov/oppt/iur>.

(b) *Follow the reporting instructions.* Guidance for completing the reporting form and preparing an electronic (magnetic media) report will be made available prior to each submission period.

(c) *Obtain the reporting package and copies of the form.* EPA will send a reporting package (consisting of a copy of Form U and a copy of the reporting

instructions) to those submitters that reported in the IUR submission period that occurred immediately prior to the current submission period. Failure to receive a reporting package does not obviate or otherwise affect the requirement to submit a timely report. If you did not receive a reporting package, but are required to report, you may obtain a copy of the reporting package from EPA by submitting a request for this information as follows:

(1) *By telephone.* Call the EPA TSCA Hotline at 202-554-1404.

(2) *By e-mail.* Send an e-mail request for this information to the EPA TSCA Hotline at TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov.

(3) *By mail.* Send a written request for this information to the following address: TSCA Hotline, Mailcode 7408M, ATTN: Inventory Update Rule, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.

(4) *By Internet.* To download a copy of the form and/or instructions go to: <http://www.epa.gov/oppt/iur>.

(d) *Submit the completed reports.* You must submit your completed reporting form(s) and/or magnetic media to EPA at the following address: OPPT Document Control Officer (DCO), Mailcode 7407M, ATTN: Inventory Update Rule, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.

PART 712—CHEMICAL INFORMATION RULES

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Subpart A—General Provisions

§ 712.1 Scope and compliance.

(a) This part establishes procedures for chemical manufacturers and processors to report production, use, and exposure-related information on listed chemical substances. Subpart A establishes requirements that apply to all reporting under this part. Subpart B covers manufacturers' and processors' reporting.

(b) Chemical substances, mixtures, and categories of substances or mixtures which have been recommended by the Interagency Testing Committee for testing consideration by the Agency but not designated for Agency response within 12 months, will be added to § 712.30 using the procedure specified in § 712.30(c) only to the extent that the total number of designated and recommended chemicals has not exceeded 50 in any 1 year. Additional recommended but not designated chemicals may be added after proposal, and consideration of public comment.

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§ 712.3 Definitions.

The definitions in section 3 of TSCA, 15 U.S.C. 2602, apply for this part. In addition, the following definitions apply:

(a) *Byproduct* means any chemical substance or mixture produced without a separate commercial intent during the manufacture, processing, use, or disposal of another chemical substance or mixture.

(b) *EPA* means the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

(c) *Import in bulk form* means to import a chemical substance (other than as part of a mixture or article) in any quantity, in cans, bottles, drums, barrels, packages, tanks, bags, or other containers used for purposes of transportation or containment, if the chemical substance has an end use or com-

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mercial purpose separate from the container.

(d) *Importer* means anyone who imports a chemical substance, including a chemical substance as part of a mixture or article, into the customs territory of the U.S. and includes the person liable for the payment of any duties on the merchandise, or an authorized agent on his behalf. Importer also includes, as appropriate:

(1) The consignee.

(2) The importer of record.

(3) The actual owner if an actual owner's declaration and superseding bond has been filed in accordance with 19 CFR 141.20.

(4) The transferee, if the right to withdraw merchandise in a bonded warehouse has been transferred in accordance with subpart C of 19 CFR part 144. For the purposes of this definition, the customs territory of the U.S. consists of the 50 states, Puerto Rico, and the District of Columbia.

(e) *Impurity* means a chemical substance unintentionally present with another chemical substance or mixture.

(f) *Intermediate* means any chemical substance that is consumed, in whole or in part, in chemical reactions used for the intentional manufacture of other chemical substances or mixtures, or that is intentionally present for the purpose of altering the rates of such chemical reactions. (See also paragraph (j) of this section.)

(g) *Known to or reasonably ascertainable by* means all information in a person's possession or control, plus all information that a reasonable person similarly situated might be expected to possess, control, or know, or could obtain without unreasonable burden.

(h) *Manufacture for commercial purposes* means to import, produce, or manufacture with the purpose of obtaining an immediate or eventual commercial advantage for the manufacturer and includes, among other things, such "manufacture" of any amount of a chemical substance or mixture:

(1) For commercial distribution, including for test marketing.

(2) For use by the manufacturer, including use for product research and development, or as an intermediate.